

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the application of:

Inventor(s) : Hitoshi MATSUMOTO *et al.*  
Serial Number : 10/019,402  
Filed : December 28, 2001  
For : COMPOSITION FOR FOODS, PROCESS FOR PRODUCING THE  
: SAME, AND FUNCTIONAL FOODS AND DRINKS CONTAINING  
: THE SAME  
Examiner : Donna A. Jagoe  
Group Art Unit : 1614

**RESPONSE AFTER FINAL UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

August 11, 2008

Dear Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are submitted in response to the Final Office Action mailed March 11, 2008. The Office Action set forth a three-month period for response, making this response due on or before June 11, 2008. A Petition for a Two-Month Extension of Time is attached together with payment of the appropriate fees, which extends the due date for response to August 11, 2008.

**Amendments to the claims** are reflected in the Listing of Claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 6 of this paper.